Kino's Journey
the Beautiful World
HEY, KINO.
WHAT THE HECK IS THAT?

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Chapter Seven

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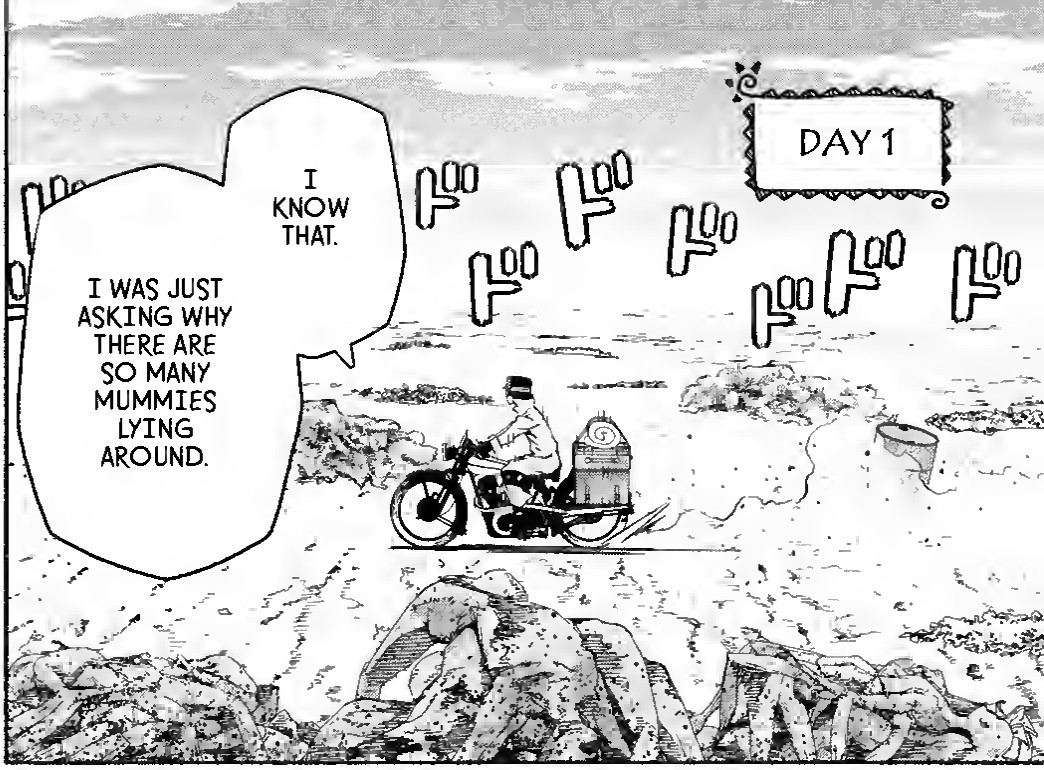
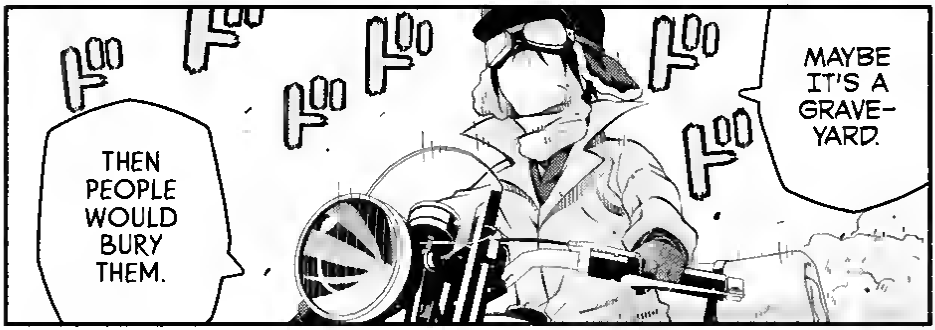
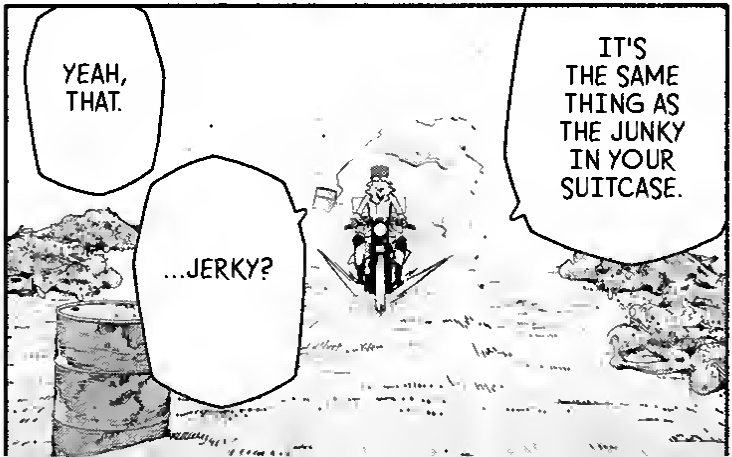
—Mother's Love—


DAY 1
I KNOW THAT.
I WAS JUST ASKING WHY THERE ARE SO MANY MUMMIES LYING AROUND.


MAYBE IT'S A GRAVE-YARD.
THEN PEOPLE WOULD BURY THEM.


YEAH, THAT.
...JERKY?
IT'S THE SAME THING AS THE JUNKY IN YOUR SUITCASE.

OHH, I GET IT.

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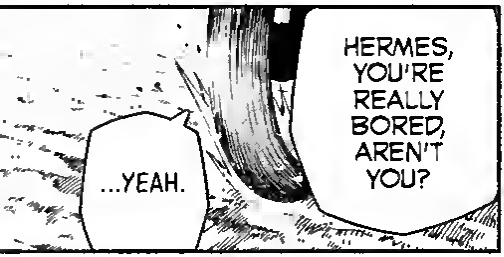
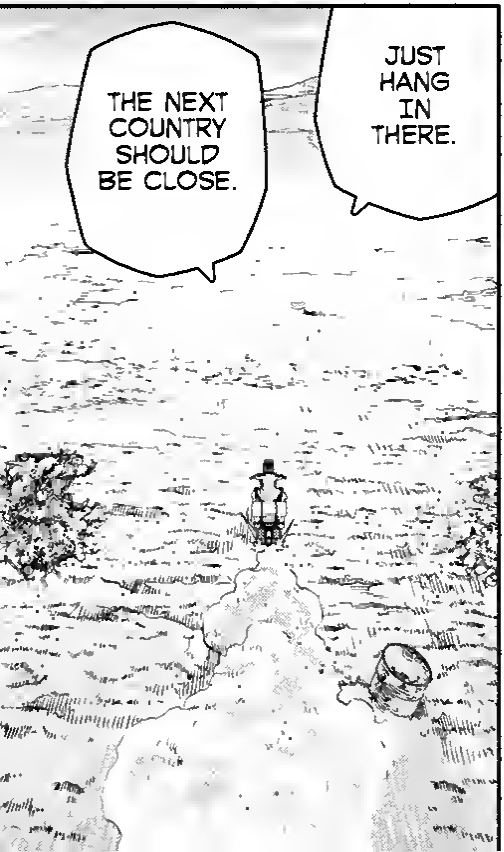
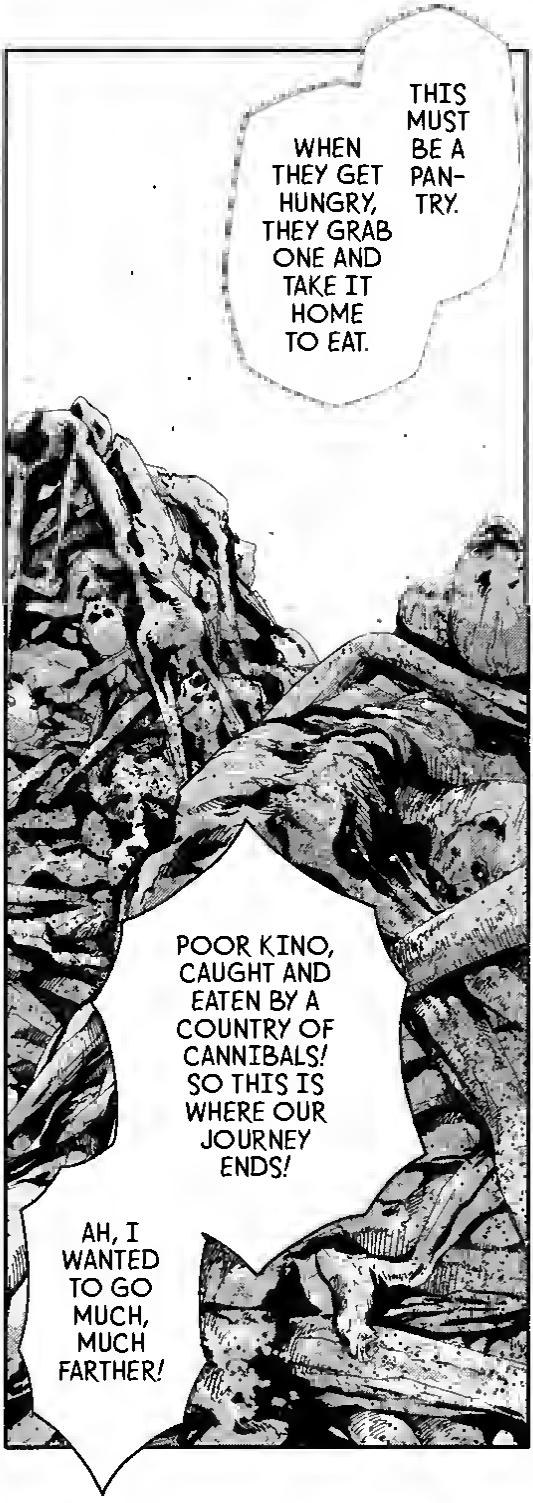
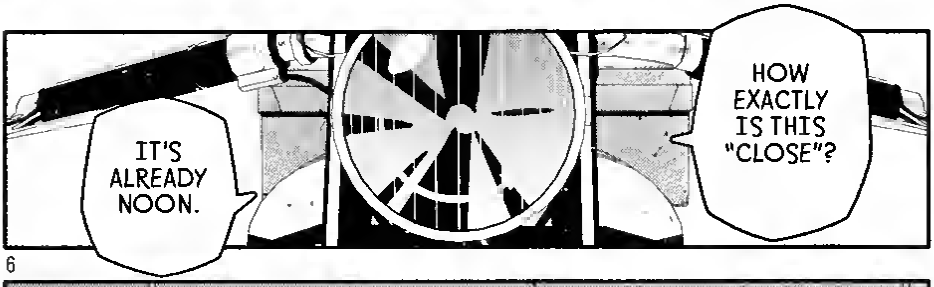

HERMES, YOU'RE REALLY BORED, AREN'T YOU?
...YEAH.


JUST HANG IN THERE.
THE NEXT COUNTRY SHOULD BE CLOSE.


THIS MUST BE A PANTRY.
WHEN THEY GET HUNGRY, THEY GRAB ONE AND TAKE IT HOME TO EAT.
POOR KINO, CAUGHT AND EATEN BY A COUNTRY OF CANNIBALS! SO THIS IS WHERE OUR JOURNEY ENDS!
AH, I WANTED TO GO MUCH, MUCH FARTHER!

Welcome to VelDelVal


IT'S ALREADY NOON.
HOW EXACTLY IS THIS "CLOSE"?

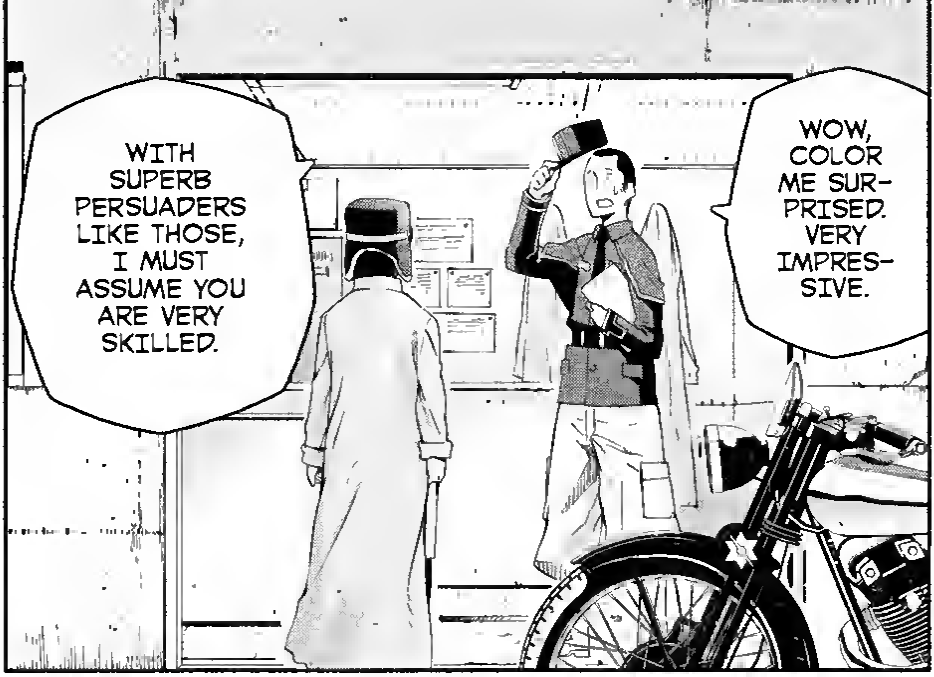
Welcome to VelDelVal
WELCOME TO VELDELVAL

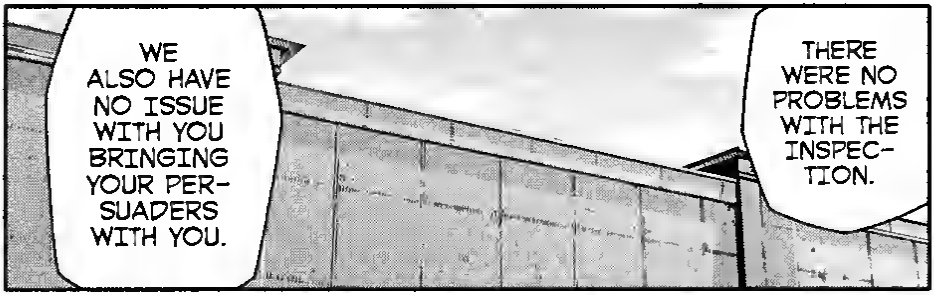
I'M KINO AND THIS IS MY PARTNER, HERMES.
WE WOULD LIKE TO ENTER THIS COUNTRY FOR SIGHT-SEEING AND REST.
WEL-COME TO VEL-DELVAL.
WE HAVEN'T SEEN A VISITOR IN A LONG WHILE.

HOW LONG DO YOU WANT TO STAY FOR?
THREE DAYS.
WE'LL LEAVE TWO DAYS FROM NOW.

DO YOU HAVE ANY PER-SUADERS* ON YOU?
YES.

*FIREARMS


WITH SUPERB PERSUADERS LIKE THOSE, I MUST ASSUME YOU ARE VERY SKILLED.
WOW, COLOR ME SURPRISED. VERY IMPRESSIVE.


WE ALSO HAVE NO ISSUE WITH YOU BRINGING YOUR PERSUADERS WITH YOU.
THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS WITH THE INSPECTION.

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I'M SURE YOU WON'T NEED THEM.
ALTHOUGH,

YOU SEE, OUR COUNTRY IS PEACE-FUL.

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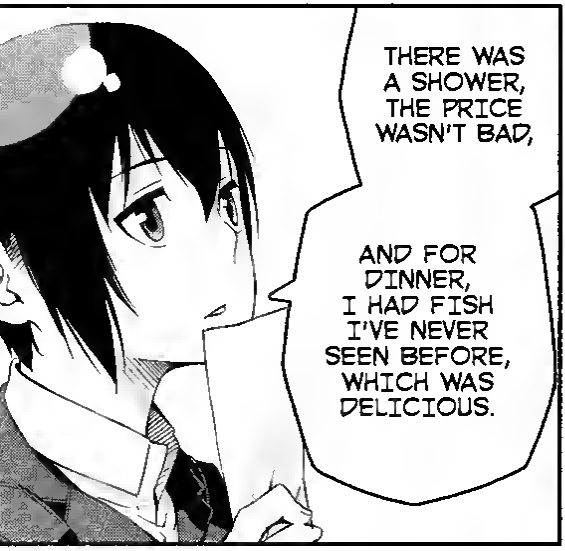
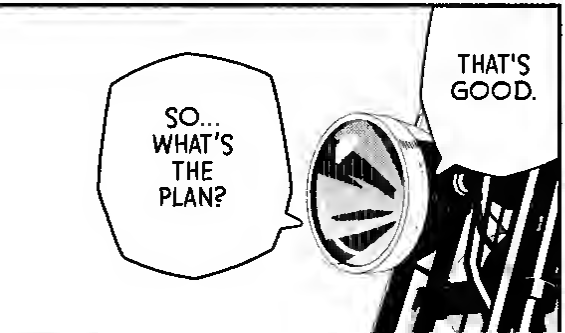
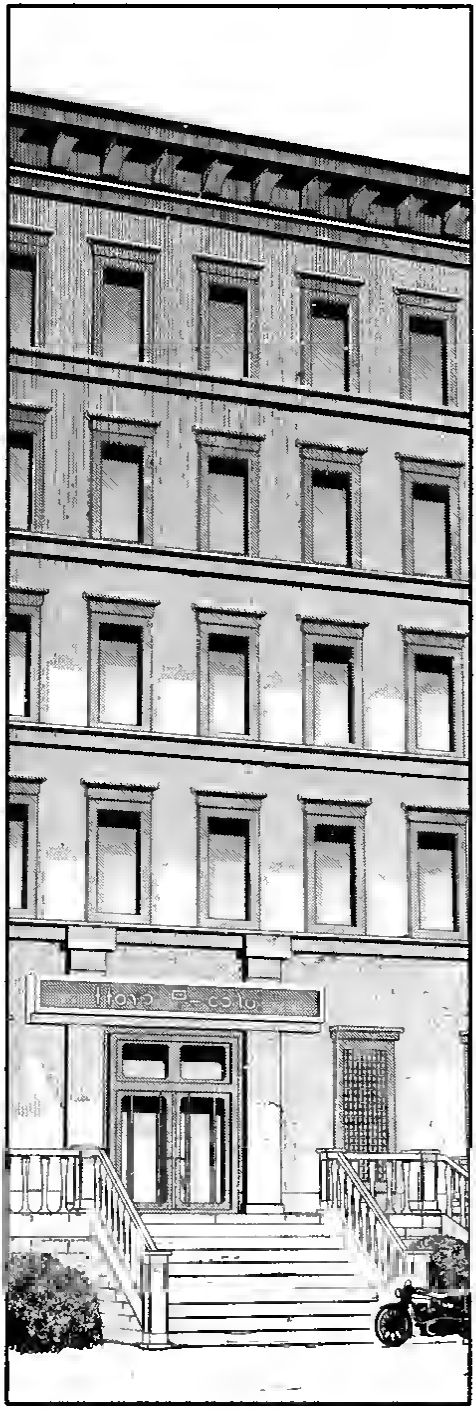
WE WEL-COME YOU!
GLAD YOU CAME!
HURRY, HURRY!

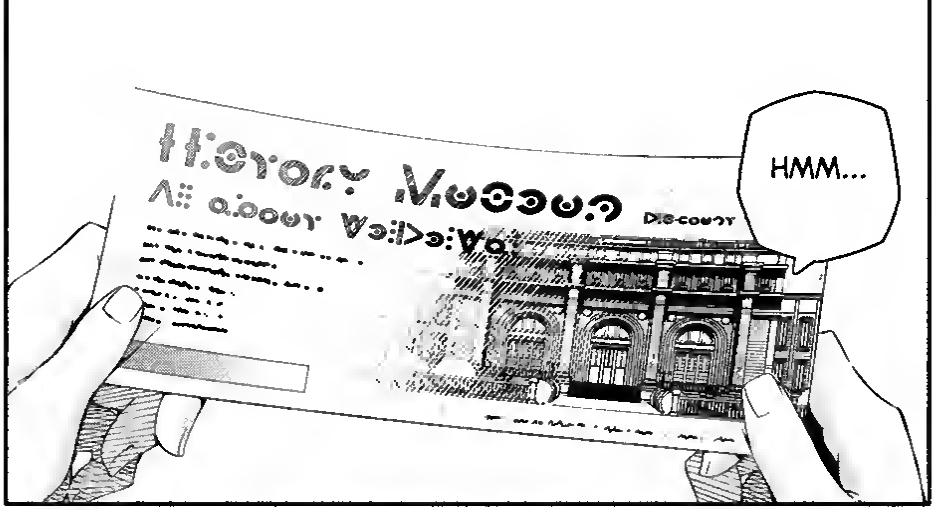
THEY LOOK HUNGRY.
UH, ARE WE GONNA BE EATEN AFTER ALL?

HOW WAS IT, KINO?
WELL,


THERE WAS A SHOWER, THE PRICE WASN'T BAD,
AND FOR DINNER, I HAD FISH I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE, WHICH WAS DELICIOUS.


THAT'S GOOD.
SO... WHAT'S THE PLAN?

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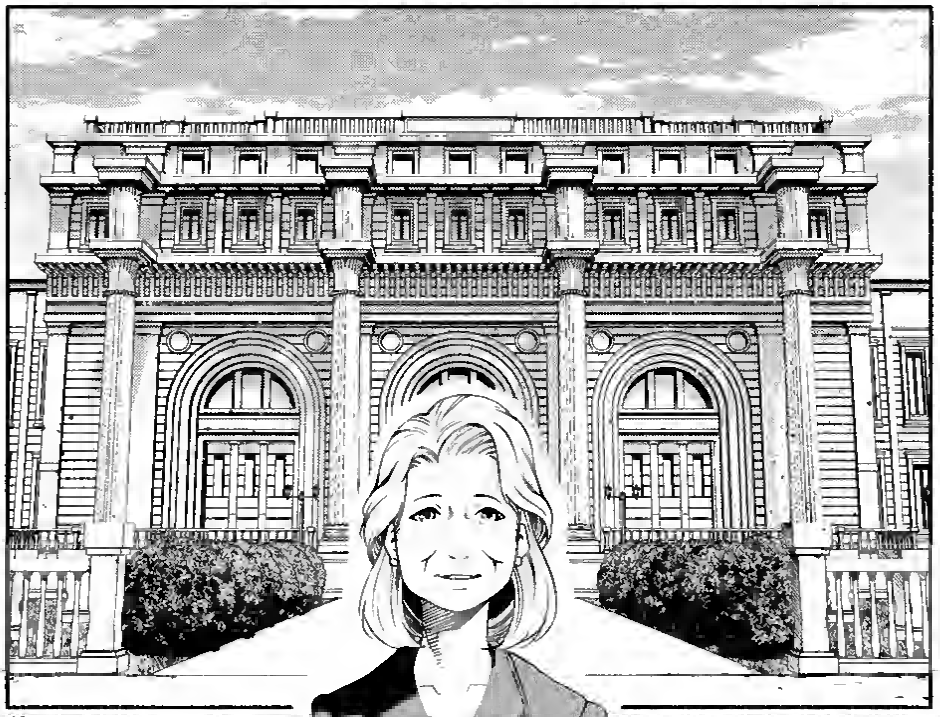

I AM THE CURATOR.
WELCOME TO THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY.

YOU JUST ARRIVED TODAY, RIGHT?
HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY YET?
YOU SHOULD VISIT THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY.
YOU'LL LEARN EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS COUNTRY IN HALF A DAY.
THE CURATOR THERE IS A REALLY NICE PERSON.
SHE'LL TEACH YOU ALL SORTS OF STUFF ABOUT OUR HISTORY.

EVERYONE WE MET RECOM-MENDED THIS PLACE TO US.
THAT'S RIGHT.

THIS MUSEUM HAS EXHIBITS FOR EVERY-THING.
FROM WHEN MAN FIRST SET FOOT ON THIS WASTE-LAND,
TO THIS COUNTRY'S DEVELOP-MENT INTO A METRO-POLIS,

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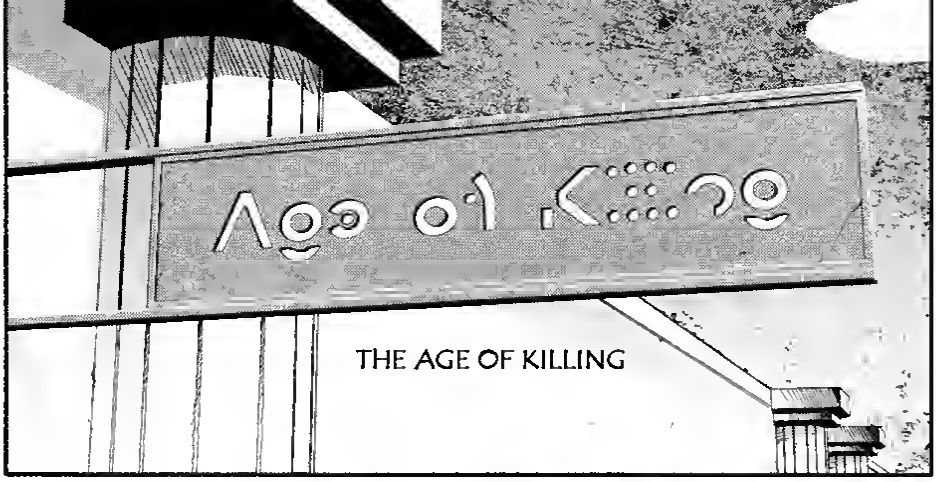
IT'S THE FIRST ISSUE OF THIS COUNTRY'S NEWS-PAPER.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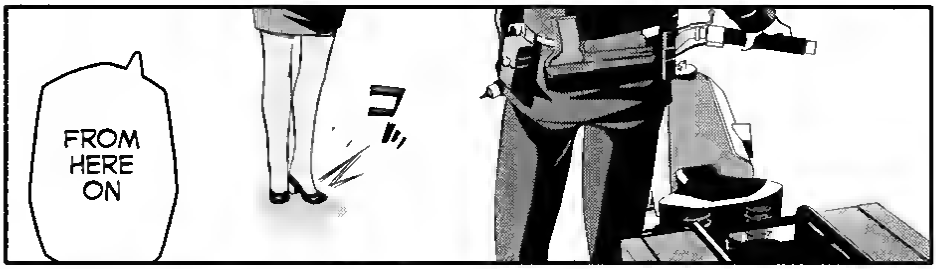
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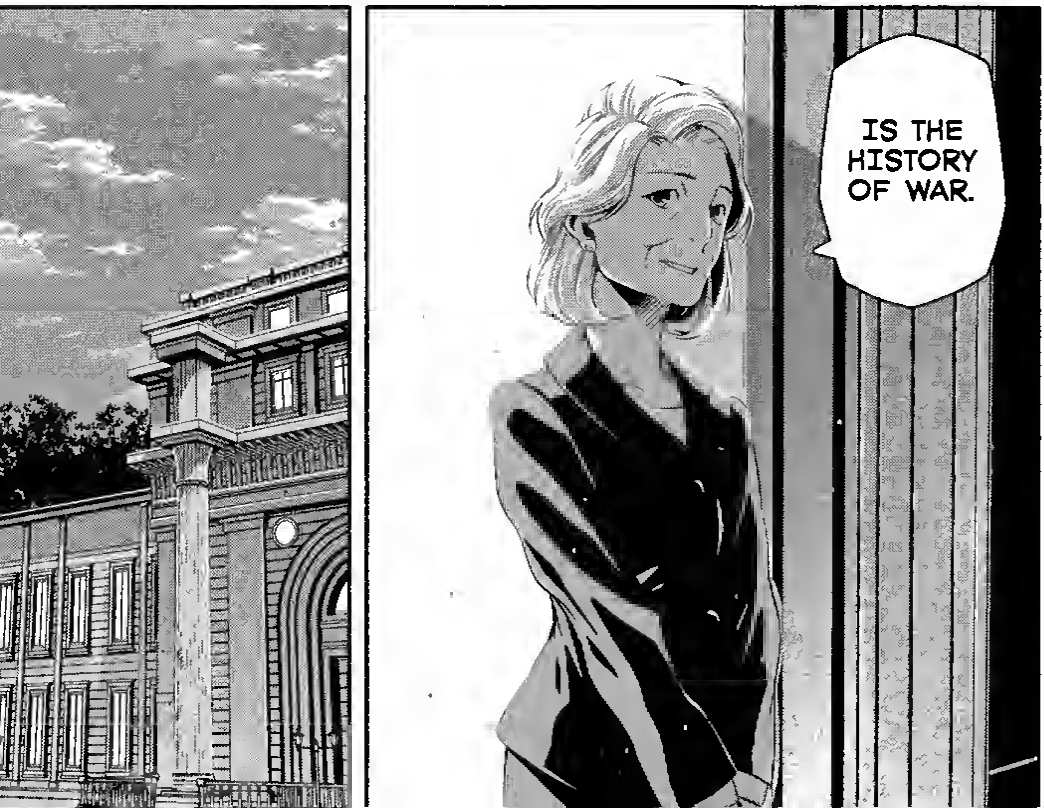
IS THE HISTORY OF WAR.

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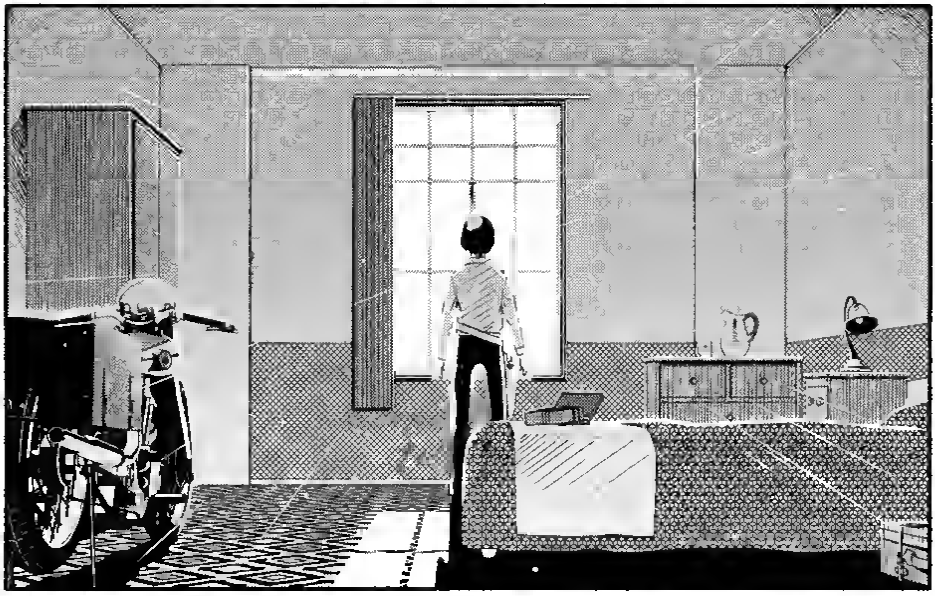

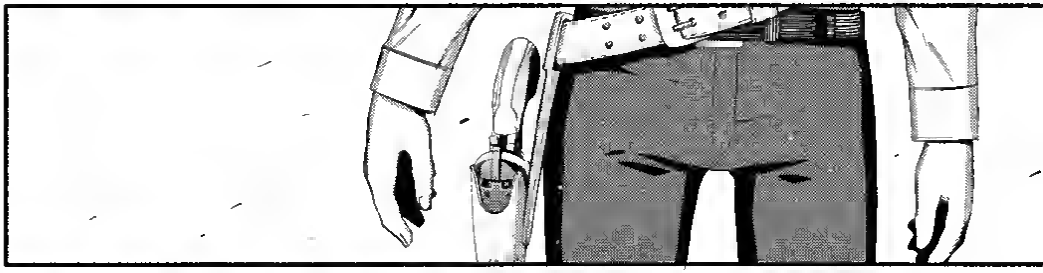

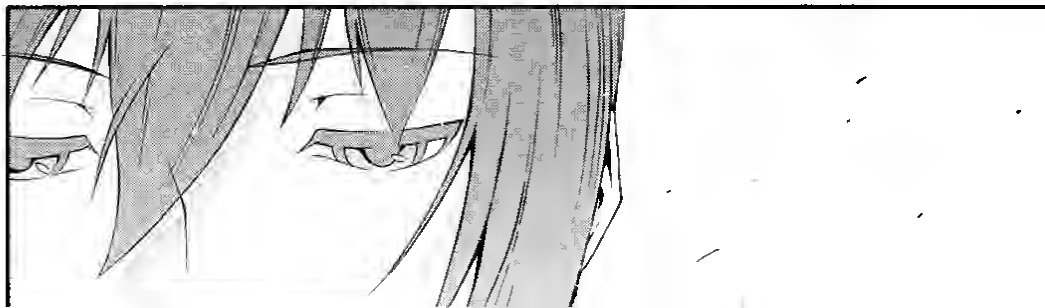

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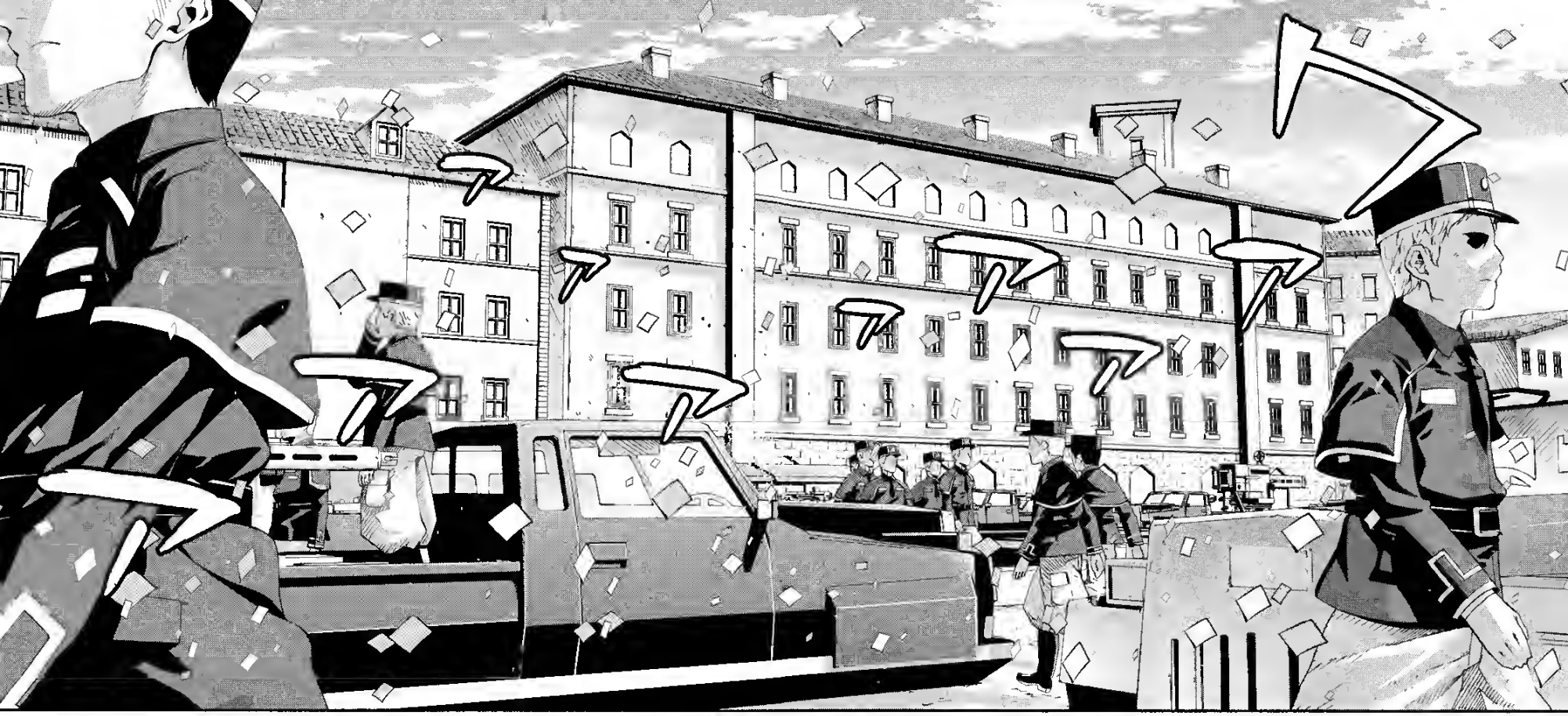
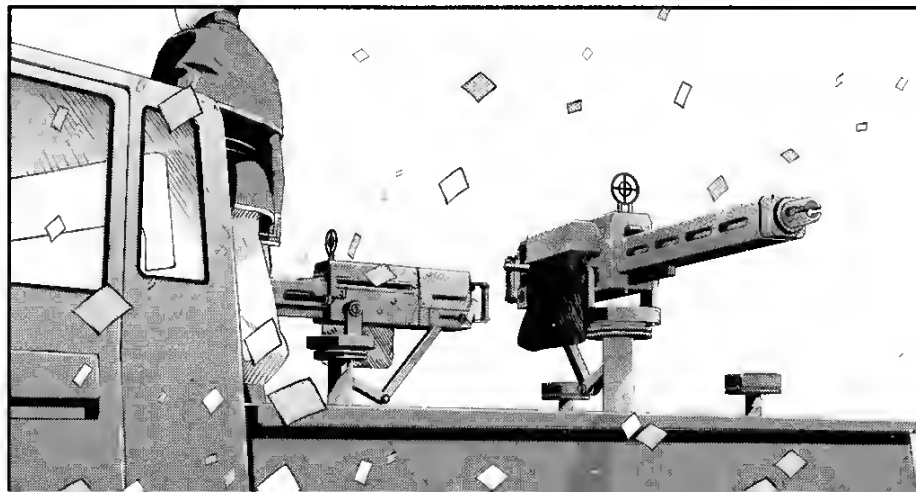
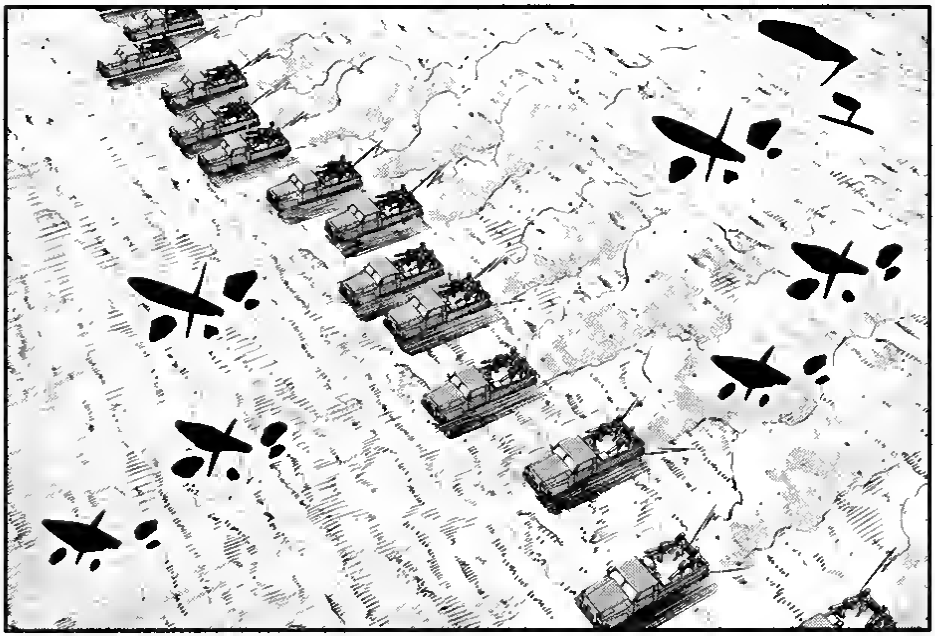
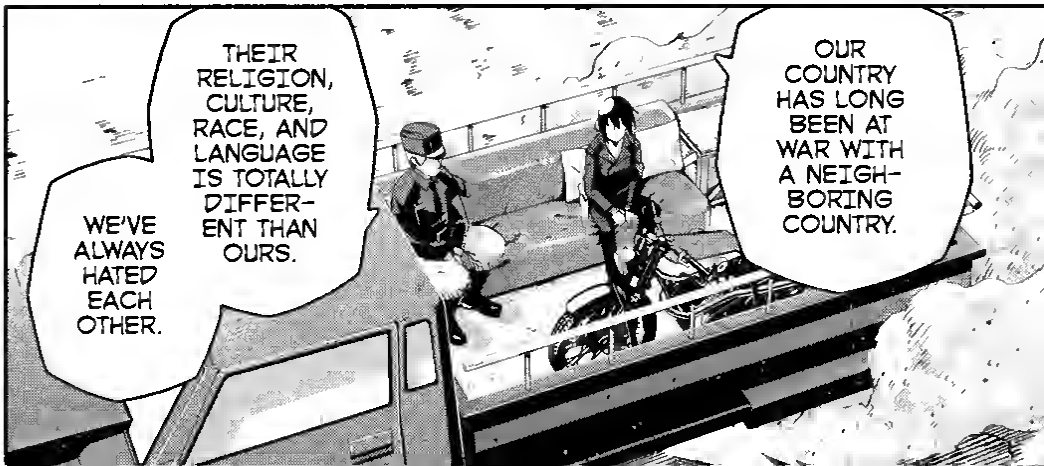


GIVE 'EM HELL!
GOOD LUCK OUT THERE!

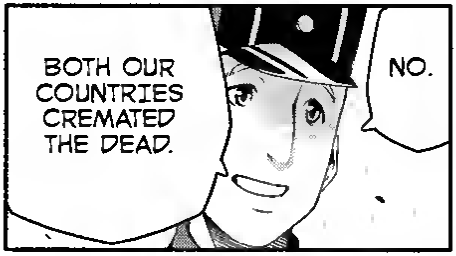


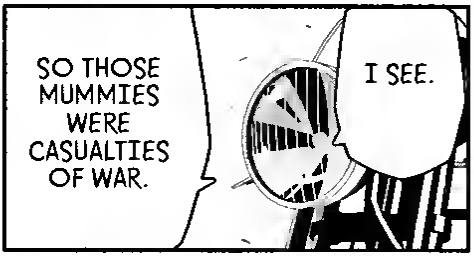
THANKS.
THANK YOU.
I'VE HEARD FROM THE CURATOR.
I WILL BE YOUR GUIDE.
GOOD MORNING, KINO, HERMES.




WE'VE ALWAYS HATED EACH OTHER.
THEIR RELIGION, CULTURE, RACE, AND LANGUAGE IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT THAN OURS.
OUR COUNTRY HAS LONG BEEN AT WAR WITH A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY.

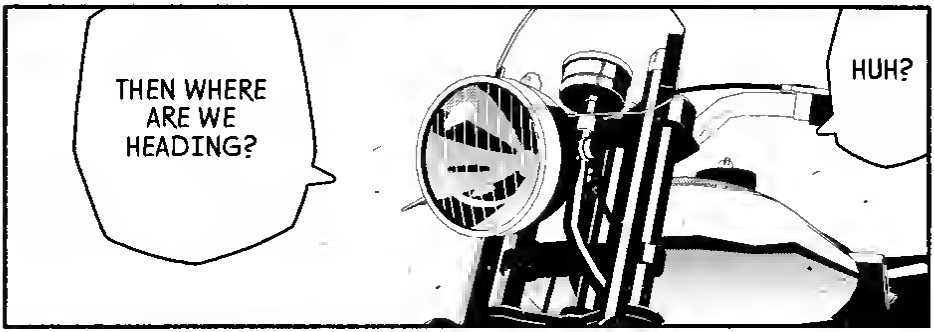
WE WENT TO WAR NUMEROUS TIMES, BUT BATTLING IN THIS WASTELAND TAKES ITS TOLL.
NEITHER OF US EVER HAD ENOUGH RESOURCES LEFT TO INVADE THE OTHER'S TERRITORY.
BOTH SIDES WOULD MEANING-LESSLY EXHAUST THEIR FORCES, AND ANOTHER WAR WOULD END.
THIS QUAG-MIRE PERSISTED FOR ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-FOUR YEARS.


NO.
BOTH OUR COUNTRIES CREMATED THE DEAD.


I SEE.
SO THOSE MUMMIES WERE CASUALTIES OF WAR.

I COULDN'T AGREE MORE.
WELL... THIS COUNTRY SEEMS WEALTHY AND VERY STABLE TO ME.
I FEEL THAT I'VE COME ACROSS A PEACEFUL COUNTRY, WHICH ISN'T VERY OFTEN.

SO THERE'S NO MORE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ANYMORE?
THAT'S RIGHT. NONE AT ALL.
WE DON'T TRADE WITH THEM OR ANYTHING, BUT WE DON'T TRY TO KILL EACH OTHER.


HUH?
THEN WHERE ARE WE HEADING?

TO "WAR"
WITH OUR NEIGH-BORING COUNTRY.

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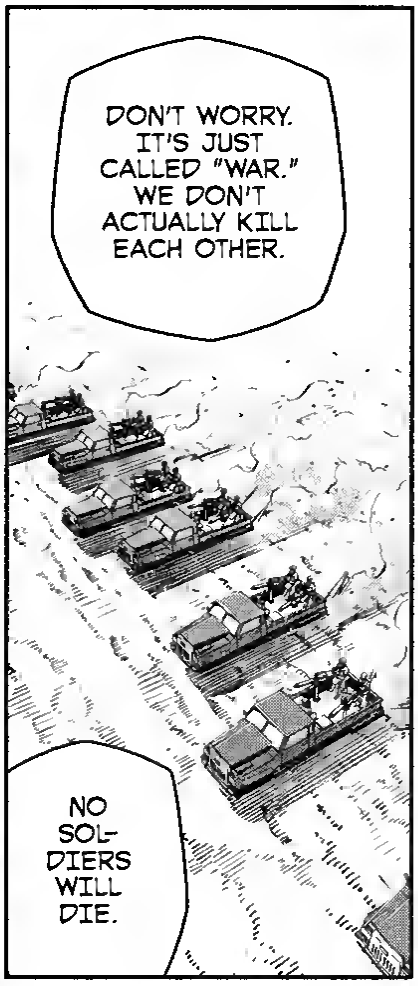
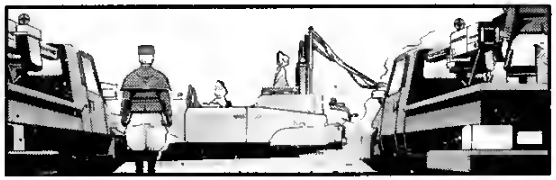
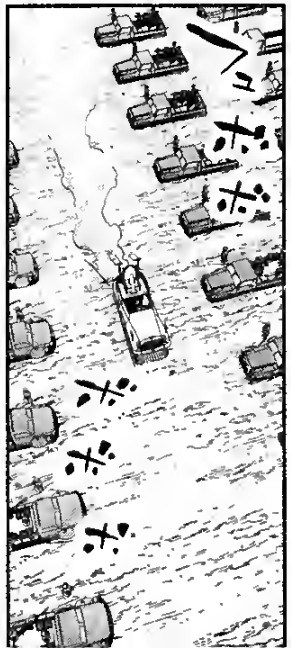
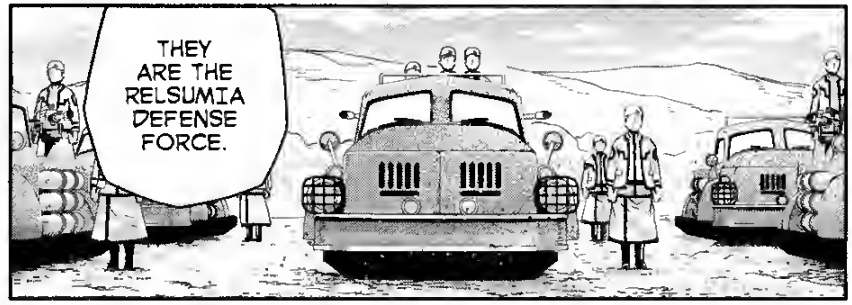
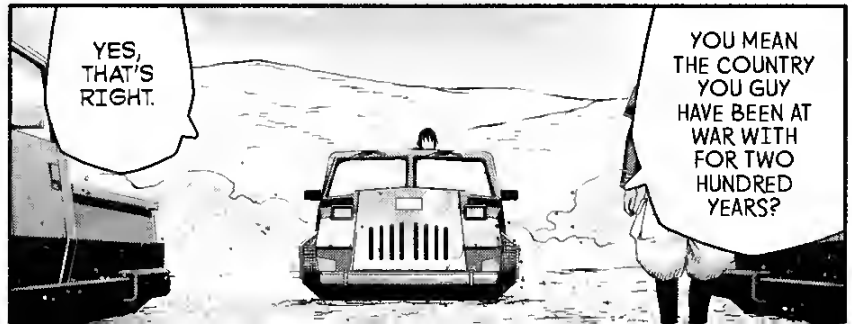
AS THE TOUR CON-TINUES.
YOU'LL UNDERSTAND HOW WE CREATE AND MAINTAIN PEACE

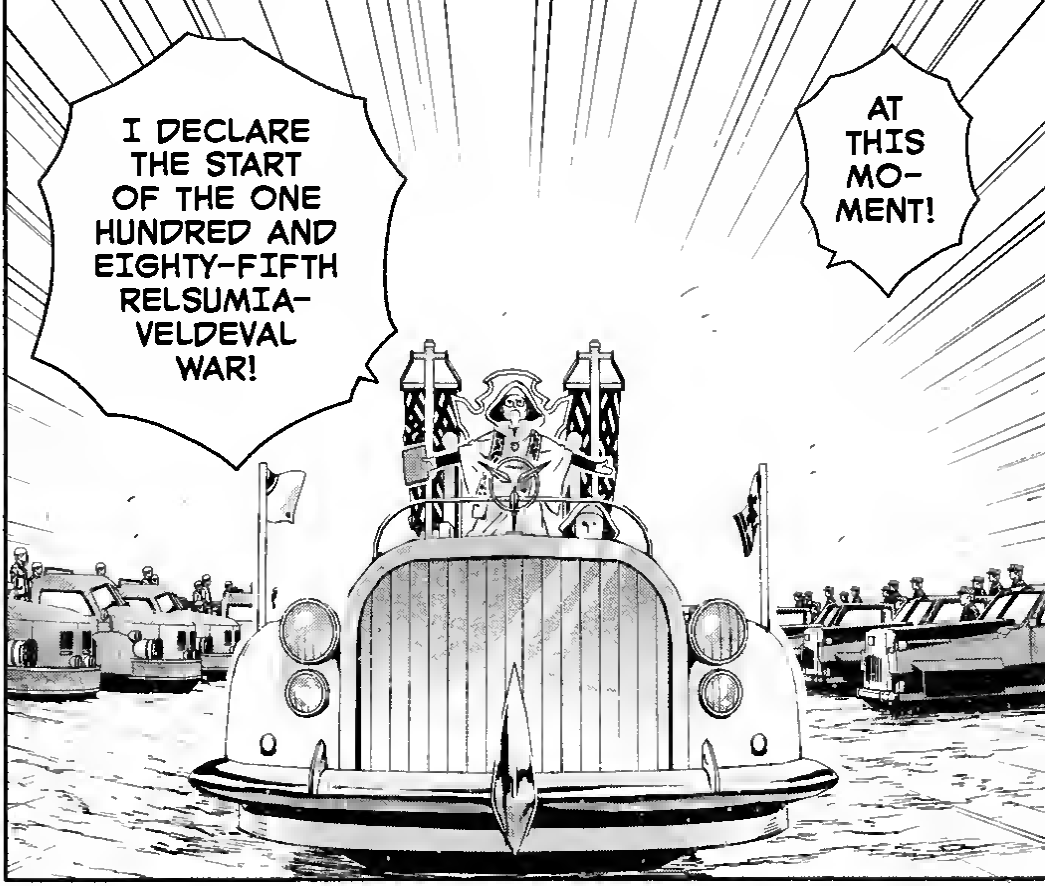

DON'T WORRY. IT'S JUST CALLED "WAR." WE DON'T ACTUALLY KILL EACH OTHER.
NO SOL-DIERS WILL DIE.

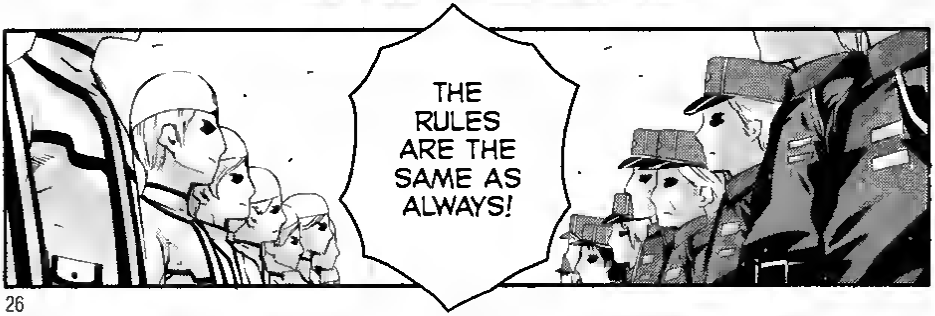


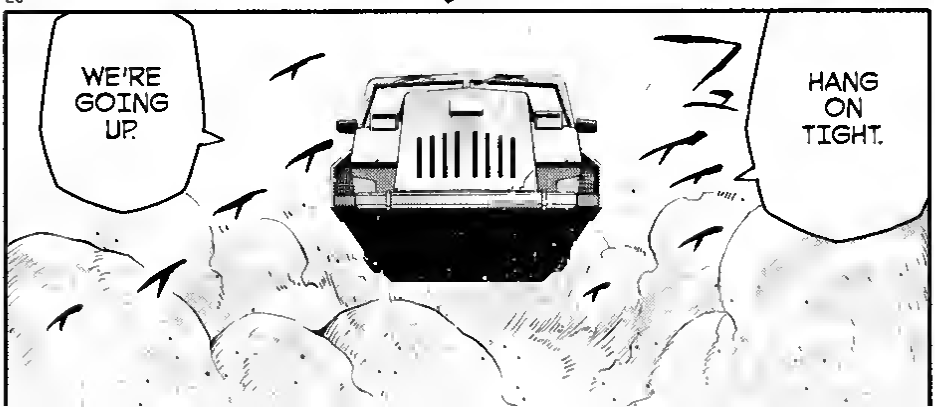



THEY ARE THE RELSUMIA DEFENSE FORCE.


YES, THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU MEAN THE COUNTRY YOU GUY HAVE BEEN AT WAR WITH FOR TWO HUNDRED YEARS?


I DECLARE THE START OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIFTH RELSUMIA-VELDEVAL WAR!
AT THIS MO-MENT!


THE RULES ARE THE SAME AS ALWAYS!


WE'RE GOING UP.
HANG ON TIGHT.

KINO,
CAN YOU SEE THAT?
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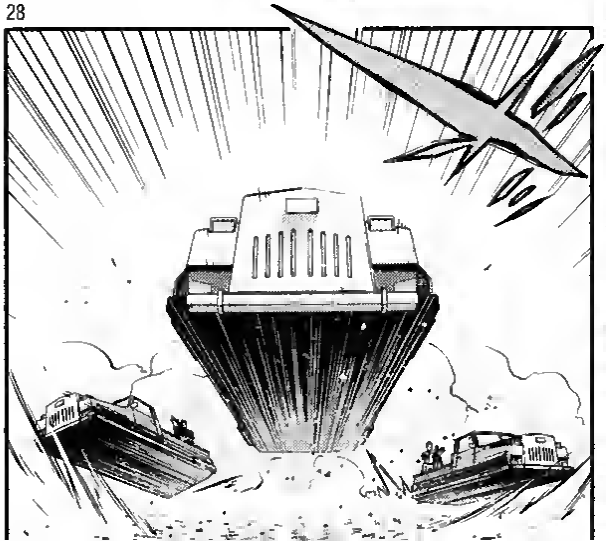
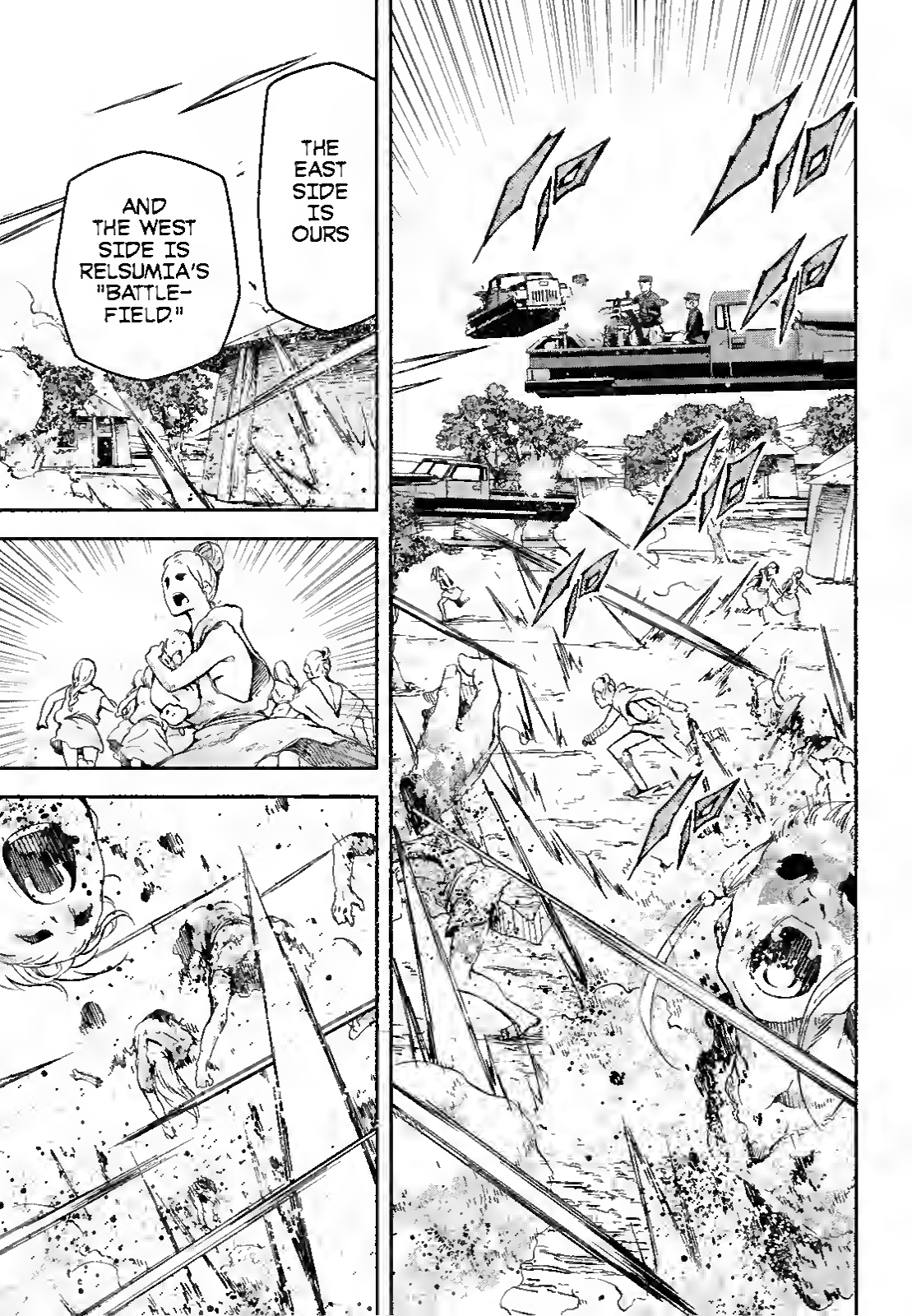
THEY ARE THE NATIVE TRIBE OF THIS AREA,
THE TATATA PEOPLE.

THE "WAR" HAS BEGUN.

TAKE A LOOK TO THE NORTH.




THE EAST SIDE IS OURS
AND THE WEST SIDE IS RELSUMIA'S "BATTLE-FIELD."

YEAH! NICE SHOT!
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN GOOD AT "WAR."
OH, THAT GUNNER WAS MY BROTHER.
I DE-CLINE. THIS IS FINE.
...MAYBE WE SHOULD LOWER OUR ALTITUDE A BIT.
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE BETTER.
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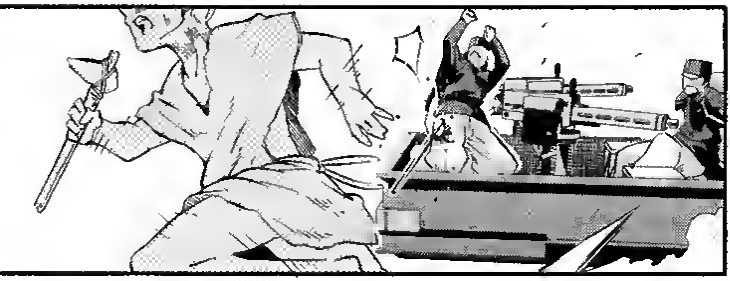
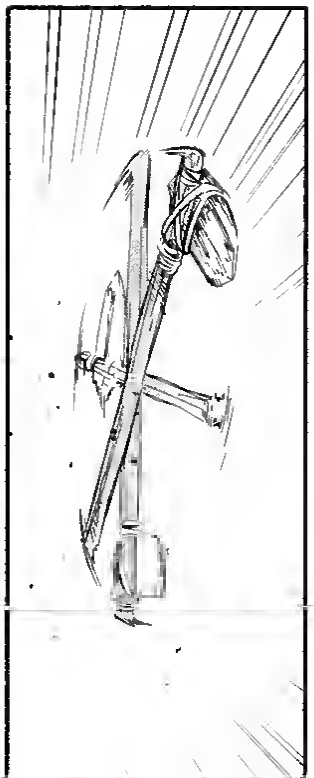
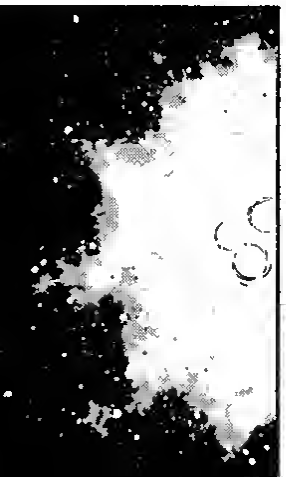
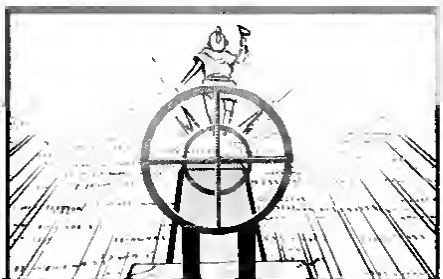
OF COURSE,

STRAY BULLETS *ARE* SCARY.









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